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Signs of concern

There is fresh, vigorous concern in Israel these days about what the Israelis conceive to be a dangerous new trend in American policy in the Middle East. Anything that does not bring fresh and ever larger infusions of cash, arms, immigrants or tourists to Israel is perceived in Tel Aviv as a dangerous new trend. But this time they are worried about U.S. arms sales to Saudi Arabia, the Ford administration's request for congressional authority to sell Egypt six Hercules transport planes, and an apparent drop in U.S. aid levels to Israel.

If the Israelis are worried, they should be, and their obvious concern is reflected in the statements of their Prime Minister, Mr. Rabin, who a few days ago wondered aloud about the role of the United States as an arms supplier to both the Arabs and the Israelis. He's correct, of course, in questioning the underlying sophistry of the American arms programme in the Middle East. The only thing missing from the American programme is a deal to sell arms to the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

Mr. Rabin wondered whether the U.S. wasn't perpetuating a vicious cycle, where arms sales to one side in the Middle East lead to counter-balancing sales to the other side. It is a dizzying, dazzling policy.

Until Anwar's friend Henry comes forth with some fresh explanations about long-term American policy objectives, one looks at American actions and perceives movements that are not so much anti-Israeli, but rather less spectacularly positive in their response to Arab requests.

Six Hercules aircraft and some Saudi naval bases will not send the Israelis into a full-alert mobilisation. But they do suggest to the Israelis that the United States has long-term interests in the Middle East that may transcend the peculiar wants of the Israeli Labour Party.

The Israelis are mobilising their lobbies in the United States, and one can expect some rough bargaining in congressional committee meetings in Washington. What this will do is two important things: it will force the Israelis to put their heads together and make it clear to themselves, the Americans and the world what it is they seek in Palestine, and it will also force a clearer picture of the special relationship between Israel and the United States.

Mr. Rabin's public bewilderment is the first sign of this process, though it will be a long time before the Israelis fully realise what they are being forced to do; and one will hear more Rabin-like plaints in the near future, especially if the pro-Israeli lobbyists are not fully successful in Washington. In the old days, they used to call this kind of thing an agonizing reappraisal.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Under the heading "Fleeing from Hell", Ad Dustour said Saturday, "The return of the first batch of Sudanese Jews living in Israel to their original home has aroused indignation among Israeli circles, who saw in this phenomenon a sign of danger, especially as groups of Iraqi Jews had already returned to Iraq, in addition to Jews of other nationalities fleeing from Israel."

The paper pointed out that the most disturbing development for the Israeli authorities is the significantly increasing tide of emigration from Israel to the outside world, because it touches a vital nerve in the Israeli entity, i.e., human resources.

Jews from countries of the Third World, who had been coaxed by Zionism to emigrate to Israel, constitute an important pillar of Israel's existence. Therefore, the paper said, it is the duty of the Arabs to urge these friendly countries to encourage those deceived Jews to return to their original homes. "At the same time, intensive contacts should be made with the Soviet Union to foil Zionist attempts to pressure Soviet Jews to turn to Israel," Ad Dustour concluded.

Dr. J. Sauer will give a lecture on Settlement Patterns & Ancient Industry in the Jordan Valley on Monday, March 8th, at Young Women Moslem Association near Hussein Youth City.

Pakistan-Jordan statement stresses Palestine issue

ISLAMABAD, March 6, (JN-A). — Jordanian and Pakistani parliamentarians have stressed the necessity of recovering occupied Arab territories, Jerusalem foremost, and the restoration of the Palestinian people's legitimate rights, without which there would be no progress to peace in the Middle East.

This was said in a Jordanian-Pakistani statement issued simultaneously in Amman and Islamabad Saturday at the conclusion of a visit by a Jordanian parliamentary delegation led by the Speaker of the Upper House, Mr. Bahjat Talhouni.

World food supply status to be discussed in Rome

AMMAN. — Jordan will participate in the first session of the international committee on food supply to be held in Rome early in April.

The four day meetings, said the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Agriculture, Said Ghazzawi, and Jordan's representative to the meetings, will discuss means to ensure a continuous flow of food especially as regards seeds and its storage for times of drought which may result in shortage of such an essential nutrition element. The conference will also discuss, he added, effective measures to surmount political obstacles which may hinder the flow of nutrition elements from one country to another.

The food problem of 42 countries affected by food shortage will also be discussed besides the situation of rice in the world.

The meeting organised by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) will be attended by representatives of 60 countries.

Plan integration is studied

AMMAN, (JT). — Jordan and Syria are conducting intensive studies on the feasibility of integrating the two 5-year plans adopted by the two states, sources said here today.

Jordan launched its 5-year development plan in January.

Pakistani statement issued simultaneously in Amman and Islamabad Saturday at the conclusion of a visit by a Jordanian parliamentary delegation led by the Speaker of the Upper House, Mr. Bahjat Talhouni.

Condemning Israeli actions in the occupied Arab lands and continuous sacrilege of the holy places there, particularly the Jerusalem Aqsa Mosque, the statement said these encroachments constitute defiance to the Islamic world and an offense to the world's conscience.

The two sides expressed satisfaction at the concurrence of their points of view in all subjects discussed, and emphasised further cooperation and exchange of opinions between the two countries' parliaments in particular, and Islamic and international parliaments in general.

3 new museums to be opened

AMMAN. — Three new museums will be opened this year by the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities, Ministry sources said here Saturday.

The first museum on coloured mosaics will be opened in Jerash. One of the remaining two folkloric museums will be opened in Madaba, the other in one of the historical halls of the Castle of Kerak.

The Ministry, sources added, has also enlarged the existing museum at the Citadel of Amman.

Chinese delegation here next week

AMMAN. — A Nationalist Chinese commercial delegation will arrive here Thursday for a five-day visit during which it will meet with businessmen and officials from the public sector to discuss stepping up cooperation and commercial exchanges between Jordan and Nationalist China.

The Chinese delegation includes industry managers of textiles, construction materials, cosmetics and plastics. This visit is part of a one-month tour by the Chinese delegation to several Middle East countries.

Mahmoud Riad will not seek re-election

KUWAIT, March 5 (AFP). — Mahmoud Riad, Secretary-General of the Arab League, will not seek re-election when his present term ends this year because he is applying for a senior post with the United Nations, the Kuwait daily Al Qabas reported today.

It said his most likely successor was former Egyptian Information and Culture Minister Abdel Kader Hatem.

The post of secretary-general has been held by an Egyptian ever since the League was founded in 1945.

Al Qabas added that one of the League's five assistant secretaries-general, Sayed Nofal of Egypt, had also expressed the desire to step down, probably after the next session of the Arab League Council this month.

Israeli analyst estimates Soviet Arab arms

JERUSALEM, March 6 (AFP). — Soviet-built arms in the possession of Egypt, Syria and Iraq include about 1,500 combat planes and 6,000 tanks, an Israeli military analyst said in a report here today.

The analysts gave the following breakdown: planes, Egypt 775, Syria 500 and Iraq 220; tanks, Egypt 2,450, Syria 2,200 and Iraq 1,200; and artillery pieces, Egypt 2,700, Syria 1,400 and Iraq 1,400.

In addition Egypt had 12 submarines, five destroyers, 90 naval boats and 2,600 armoured personnel carriers, and Syria 38 "SAM" missile batteries, 150 "Frog" and "Scud" ground-to-ground missiles, nine naval boats and 1,200 armoured personnel carriers, all of Soviet origin.

The 38 Syrian "SAM" missile batteries comprised 24 SA-2S and SA-3S, and 14 SA-6S, the analyst said.

10,000 tons of barley to be bought from Syria

AMMAN. — A Jordanian supply delegation leaves here Sunday morning for Damascus to conclude an agreement to purchase 10,000 tons of barley from Syria.

The purchase of this quantity was recommended by the Ministerial Committee, recently set up to study measures to combat drought.

The delegation is headed by the Minister of Supply, Salah Jum'a, and includes representatives from the Ministries of Finance, Agriculture and Super-

JD493,300 loans for municipal, rural councils

AMMAN. — The Municipal Credit Fund granted, during January, loans totalling JD 493,300 to municipal and rural councils in Jordan as well as JD 6,500 to several rural councils on the West Bank.

These loans are for electricity, water and drainage projects, construction of schools, and public services.

Jordanian emigrant club to be established

AMMAN. — Contacts are underway among Jordanian emigrants to establish a Jordanian emigrants Club with Amman as its headquarters.

The aim of such a club would be to familiarise and inform all emigrants of the investment opportunities in Jordan's projects, in particular those included in the 5-year plan, besides attracting Arab know-how abroad to serve the country.

For that purpose Mr. Fahmi Suleiman, a Jordanian emigrant economist, returned here recently after an American tour during which he discussed this subject with several groups of emigrants in different countries of the American continent.

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Jordan to attend Arab customs meetings in C

AMMAN, Mar. 6, The Ministry of Finance received an invitation to participate in the Arab directors of customs to be held in Cairo, May Yassin Al Kayed Director of Finance/Cust

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Kreisky to visit Jordan March

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19.00 News Bulletin
19.10 News reports
19.30 Sign off.

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But Canton dazibao takes different line posters attack Teng's handling of army

CH 6 (AFP). — Meanwhile, it was learned here today that a few dazibao posters have appeared in the southern Chinese port city of Canton. The posters seemed to indicate that the provinces were taking a wait-and-see attitude to the current political crisis in China.

According to one eye-witness one of the posters displayed in Canton on March 1 attacked Mr. Teng by name and accused him of seeking to undermine the gains scored by the Cultural Revolution under the guise of attacking "factionalism."

Another poster, however, seemed to diverge from the attacks in the Chinese press against the "rightist" tendency headed by Mr. Teng.

The witness described the language used by the author of this poster as brilliant and full of nuances. It recalled in substance a quotation from Chairman Mao in 1974 stating that after eight years of Cultural Revolution the time had come for China to find stability and unity once again.

The author also referred to the late Premier Chou En-lai's call in January 1975 to the Chinese to transform their nation into a great economic power before the end of this century and treated with reservations statements in the press about a split in the party which the press attacks said had been provoked by Mr. Teng's policies.

In a related development posters attacking Chiang Ching, wife of Chairman Mao Tse-tung, have been put up on the streets of Canton, according to travellers' reports, carried by the Hong Kong newspaper Ming

Travellers told the Chinese independent daily that some of the posters attacking Chiang Ching by name were pasted side by side with those criticising Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping.

The posters accused the radical Chiang Ching of making some comments against Chairman Mao during a six-hour interview with a foreign correspondent, the newspaper said.

3 arrested after Rome airport baggage check

ROME, March 6 (Agencies). — Police today arrested three men they said were about to leave Rome's Fiumicino Airport for Paris, after an electronic check of their luggage allegedly revealed revolvers and a grenade.

Police said the men, who carried Libyan passports, had arrived from Cairo.

They were arrested less than an hour after Libyan Foreign Minister Abdel-Moneim Al-Honi arrived on an earlier flight from Cairo.

Police here today said they found three automatic pistols, a British-made hand grenade and ammunition in an overnight bag being carried by one of the three men.

The arrested men were identified by police as Ahmed Mohd Ibrahim, Saad Abdusalam Mohd and Abdel Gasem El Snosi, all 24.

Saad Abdusalam Mohd was said by police to be employed by the foreign ministry in Tripoli and airport sources said he carried a Libyan diplomatic passport.



TOPPLE THE CAPITALIST. — A slogan in Hangzhou, southern China, attacking Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping by name is posted saying "Firmly determined to overthrow the top capitalist ruler Teng Hsiao-ping who refuses to submit his deviation." (AP wirephoto).

Says article in Foreign Policy Ford, Nixon

assured Arabs of total Israeli withdrawal

WASHINGTON, March 5, (AFP). — Presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford both secretly assured Arab states in 1974 and 1975, that the U.S. wanted to get Israel back to its pre-1967 borders, an article in the latest edition of the American specialist review "Foreign Policy" says.

The "Foreign Policy" article by Edward Sheehan, appearing Sunday, said Mr. Nixon, then president, assured Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in June 1974 that the U.S. wanted re-establishment of the old Sinai border.

Soon afterwards Mr. Nixon told President Hafez Assad of Syria and H. M. King Hussein of Jordan that the U.S. on the whole favoured re-establishment of the pre-1967 Golan and Jordan borders, the article says.

These assurances were repeated by Mr. Ford when he met Mr. Sadat at Salzburg, Austria, last June.

Mr. Sheehan, in a long article said to have been drawn from more than 60 Arab and Israeli sources and to be the fruit of a year's work, quotes U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger as privately calling the creation of Israeli settlements on the Golan "the worst mistake the Jews have made in 2,500 years."

In addition, Mr. Kissinger is said to have complained to Arab leaders about Israel's attitude by commenting, "You can't believe what I'm going through... they are trying to bring me down."

The article quotes disappointed remarks Mr. Kissinger reportedly made to Israeli leaders after the failure of one of his Middle East missions in March 1975, and "Foreign Policy" concludes that American-Israeli relations are today in a state of "chronic crisis."

Mr. Sheehan adds that Mr. Kissinger, having at first underestimated Mr. Sadat, began to see in him a real statesman, particularly after the October 1973 Middle East war.

"Foreign Policy" gives Mr. Kissinger credit for being the first to give the U.S. an Arab

Israel protests U.S. defence sales to Egypt

WASHINGTON, March 5, AFP. — Israeli ambassador to the United States Simcha Dinitz tonight presented his government's objections to Secretary of State Henry Kissinger about the proposed sale to Egypt of six C-130 transport planes and non-offensive military equipment.

Mr. Kissinger told the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives yesterday that nothing apart from the six transport planes would be requested for several months.

Mr. Dinitz spent nearly two hours with Mr. Kissinger. He declined to say afterwards whether the Israeli government would exert pressure on Congress to get the deal quashed, but added that the embassy would "make its feelings known" if asked.

In a related development, Israeli newspapers said in their editorials yesterday that America appeared to be moving towards becoming the main supplier of arms to the Arab states, despite U.S. administration statements to the contrary.

The left-wing Al Hamishmar said those who saw a connection between the arms deal with the Arabs and the forthcoming presidential elections were partially right.

"In view of the Soviet successes in South-East Asia and Angola, President Ford is trying to appear as the president who succeeded in breaking the close links between Egypt and the Soviet Union and strengthening the ties of friendship between the Arab states and the U.S."

"To this end he is willing even to risk the Jewish vote in the U.S.," Al Hamishmar said.

Hatzofeh, organ of the coalition National Religious Party said: "In the near future we can expect still further unpleasant surprises from the U.S. and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's optimistic report on his return home from Washington recently was therefore mistaken."

Hatzofeh said the only solution was a national unity government in Israel which could mobilise the full support of American Jewry.

Refusing comment on the article, the State Department said the good conduct of its foreign policy depended on communications being confidential.



ROME. — Three armed men carrying Libyan passports were arrested in Rome Saturday. Pictures show two on couch, while the third, handcuffed is seen by police. (AP wirephoto).



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Tension in Euro-money markets is Basle meet topic

BASLE, March 6, (AFP). — Continuing tension on the money markets was expected to be the main topic at the monthly central bank governors' meeting here Monday and Tuesday.

Although movements are less erratic than a few weeks ago and speculation is less apparent within the European joint float scheme ("Snake"), the lira is still vulnerable and events in southern Africa have affected the sterling.

One Swiss banker has noted that the "frontier" between strong and weak currencies has become sharper.

The French franc was still considered by several analysts here as being over-valued, even though it has lost ground lately.

But, it was generally felt, a devaluation of the Franc, notably in relation to the other Snake currencies, would almost

certainly trigger off a series of devaluations involving the Belgian franc, Danish crown and Swedish crown, while Italy would let the lira slip further and sterling would no doubt decline.

Competent analysts said an uprating of the mark would probably be the best solution, but this was difficult to imagine in an election year.

The monetary scare in February seems to have brought out a difference of interpretation between the French and West German central banks as regards the application of the Rambouillet Pact.

This would explain why the French initially defended their currency with dollars whereas it would have been logical to use marks from the outset.

The central bankers may well discuss ways of avoiding this kind of incident in future.

No doubt the governors will once more discuss the sale of one-sixth of the International Monetary Fund gold stock, to build up a trust fund for the benefit of the Third World.

Several central banks who would have bought this gold have had to spend reserves to defend their currencies, and they are now short of money.

It is possible that a new argument will arise on the role of gold. A few days ago the Swiss Central Bank President Fritz Leutwiler criticized the "suspicious haste" with which some authorities wanted to reduce the role of gold.

Argentine peso to be devalued by 40 per cent

BUENOS AIRES, Mar. 6 (AFP). — A 40 per cent devaluation of the Argentine peso will be announced by the Economy Ministry, a well-informed source disclosed.

A new official rate of exchange for foreign currency and a free rate will be adopted in place of the four existing rates, the source said.

The new official rate will be 140 pesos for one US dollar,



NO TO CONCORDE. — New York Governor Hugh Carey signs a bill in his New York office Friday that would ban the Concorde supersonic airliner from using Kennedy international airport. Looking on in the background are a group of Long Island legislators and others. (AP wirephoto).

Lockheed scandal to develop into an international issue

WASHINGTON, Mar. 6, (AFP). — The United States is seeking United Nations backing for an international agreement to bar bribery of officials and is also prepared to exchange confidential information on bribery with other countries, it was announced here today.

A State Department spokesman said the U.S. Administration had entrusted the drafting of an international agreement against bribery to American delegates belonging to the permanent U.N. Committee on Multinational companies which is at present meeting in Lima, Peru.

The second American move envisages bilateral agreements under which the U.S. Department of Justice would exchange information on bribery on a confidential basis with the justice ministries of other countries.

The American initiatives spring from revelations that a number of American companies have bribed foreign officials. Among these is the giant American Lockheed Aircraft Corporation and the spokesman commented today that "the Department of State has always supported full cooperation with foreign governments affected by these disclosures."

The spokesman added, however, that "We do not have the corporate documents in question."

An authoritative source said a number of governments had indicated their concern over the disclosures dealing with the Lockheed scandal. The source did not state which governments were involved.

There were also signs that President Gerald Ford's Administration is not opposed in principle to having the Justice Department communicate the names of persons implicated by the Lockheed revelations to governments which sought evidence of bribery, notably Japan.

At the same time, there were indications that the U.S. Administration did not want the names made public but that the information would be treated as confidential and on a government-to-government basis.

The source added that the Justice Department had opened an investigation to determine whether any American laws were broken by Lockheed executives who paid bribes to foreigners.

In Tokyo, Japanese Foreign Minister Kiichi Miyazawa said here today that Japan will take no action in view of conditions posed by the United States for the proposed disclosure of data on the Lockheed scandal until Prime Minister Takeo Miki receives a reply from the letter he has written to President Ford.

Mr Miyazawa was commenting on yesterday's speech by U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Robert Ingersoll who said that countries receiving the Lockheed data will be asked not to publish it until legal action has been taken against persons named in the documents.

The Japanese Foreign Minister told the press that Mr. Ingersoll's remarks may have reflected the basic policy of the U.S. in regard to the disclosure of data on the Lockheed affair.

Mr Miyazawa added that the Japanese government is still waiting for President Ford's reply to Prime Minister Miki's letter asking for the full disclosure of relevant materials on the case. The letter was sent last month in response to resolutions adopted by the two houses of the national Diet.

EEC "9" discuss common farm proposals

BRUSSELS, March 6, (AFP).

— The annual farm price review of the European Economic Community entered a crucial phase today when Agriculture Ministers of the "nine" got together after lunch to discuss a new set of compromise proposals.

French delegation sources did not rule out the possibility that the ministers, who have been meeting here practically non-stop since Tuesday, might adjourn by the end of the day and set another round of talks within the next ten days.

New common price levels for

some commodities, including milk, are scheduled to take effect on March 15.

Council sources said West Germany appeared dissatisfied with the commissions latest proposals on the grounds that they would involve a bigger increase in spending than the first suggestions made by EEC experts, which were reflecting a desire to keep down the cost of the common farm policy as much as possible.

The EEC Commissioner in charge of agriculture, Petrus Lardinois was to explain the financial implications of the new compromise package in detail in the afternoon.

The problem of milk prices remained a major stumbling block, sources close to the council said.

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World Bank to help Peru in agriculture

LIMA, March 6 (AFP). — World Bank President Robert McNamara today discussed the benefits of Peru's agrarian reform with workers on a collectivised sugar plantation on the third day of his visit to Peru.

Accompanied by the Manager of the Peruvian Development Finance Corporation, Oscar Espinoza, Mr. McNamara flew over northern Peru by plane and helicopter, inspecting an oil pipeline which is being built to carry oil discovered in the Amazon jungle to Pacific ports.

The former U.S. Defense Secretary also visited a site near Tarapoto in the northeastern jungle chosen by the government for a settlement plan which may be financed by the World Bank.

On Sunday, Mr. McNamara will fly to Bolivia, the second stop on his current tour of Latin America.

Japan assists Nepal in improved farming

KATHMANDU, Mar. 6, (AFP). — Japan is playing a significant role in the agricultural development of Nepal under a five-year \$ 5 million technical assistance programme.

Japan and Nepal have been experimenting with improved farming techniques over 32,634 hectares of land in the south Nepalese districts of Dhanusha, Mahotari and Sarlahi.

Under a bilateral agreement, an agricultural development project is underway at Jankpur zone, 260 kms (160 miles) south-east of Kathmandu. Japan is providing technical and logistic co-operation for the project. At present the main concentration has been placed on the cultivation of cash crops such as mustard, linseed, rice, wheat, maize and potatoes. Fertilizers and insecticides have been used extensively.

The aluminium industry here is now experiencing severe hardships due to reduced demand and the high cost of electric power.

Mitsubishi Chemical's decision to combine all the resources of the Mitsubishi group to reorganize the aluminium industry is likely to have a far-reaching influence on other metal-refining companies.

The electric power required to produce one ton of aluminium metal costs, in the case of Mitsubishi Chemical, 70,000 to 80,000 yen (\$ 233 to \$ 266) more than in the United States, so, to tide over the depression in the aluminium industry, Mitsubishi has found it essential to combine all the resources of the vast Mitsubishi group.

The aluminium division of Mitsubishi Chemical has at its two plants in Naoetsu, Niigata Prefecture, and Sakaide, Kagawa Prefecture, a yearly productive capacity of 350,000 tons,

The paid-up capital new firm will be 2,54 million yen (\$ 3,333,000), with million yen (\$ 33 million) rized. It will continue the 1,800 workers in shi Chemical's Aluminium Division.

May meeting OPEC in Bali

JAKARTA, March 5 — The next OPEC meeting will be held in May 27, the new director of the state owned Pertamina company, Piet Hartono announced today.

He said all 13 OPEC members have said they would attend.

The site will be P Cottage on Kuta beach of the recent ASEAN meeting.

The agenda of the will be finalised at a of OPEC board of governors a week before the terial meeting.

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CHEMICAL PLANT BURNS. — This picture shows an agricultural chemical plant in E Texas, after an explosion early Saturday morning which could be seen for miles. Authorities at one point estimated that at least 600 persons had been evacuated from the path of fumes. (AP wirephoto).

IN YOUR GARDEN

plants from old (Part 2)

STEVE CLARK
the Jordan Times

Cuttings are usu-
ally taken from
the tip of the shoot
further down, du-
ring the dormant
season's growth.
Deciduous plants
(ones which lose
leaves in winter)
should be cut in
late autumn or
early spring. Ever-
greens should have
the top cut. The ideal
length is 15-20 cm.
Cuttings should be
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In each case, a mature leaf with
the stem attached is inserted in
the cutting compost up to the
base of the leaf. The new plant
forms where the stem joins the
leaf. Most succulents will root
easily if whole leaves are de-
tached from the plant and their
lower ends pushed into the soil.
With *Sanseveria*, the leaf is cut
into sections and each piece is
placed upright in the soil.

Begonia rex and other varie-
ties with prominent leaf veins
may be increased by taking a
mature leaf and cutting through
the veins on the underside with
a razor blade. The leaf is then
placed, right side up, on the
surface of the soil and anchor-
ed with small stones or bent
pieces of wire. In about six
weeks, new plants will grow
from the cuts and when large
enough to handle should be de-
tached and potted up separat-
ely.

be carefully pulled apart, whe-
re necessary using a sharp kni-
fe to sever any particularly
tough roots, and the individual
pieces potted up separately.

With very large or old
clumps, retain only the outer
part and throw away the cen-
tre.

Some plants, for example the
bromeliads which are often
grown as house plants, form
offshoots round the base of the
parent plant. These may be de-
tached with a piece of root and
potted up separately.

Layering is a good way of
propagating climbers and trail-
ers with aerial roots such as
Philodendron and ivy and also
many garden shrubs. A small
slit should be made in the un-
derside of the stem (while it
is still attached to the parent
plant) and this part of it should
then be pressed into the soil
and held in place with a stone
or hairpin. When roots have
formed, the new plant can be
cut free and potted up in the
usual manner.

Chlorophytums and other
plants such as strawberries
which produce tiny plantlets at
the end of runners, may of
course be propagated in the same
way, though chlorophytums
root so easily that they can be
detached before planting.

Aerial Layering is another
form of layering in which spha-
gnum moss takes the place of
soil as the rooting medium. It
is most commonly used to re-
new specimens of *Ficus elastica*
(rubber plant), which have be-
come too large. An upward

Root Cuttings may be taken
from many herbaceous peren-
nials and shrubs with fleshy
roots. The roots are cut into
pieces about an inch long and
placed horizontally just below
the soil surface.

Root Division is one of the
easiest methods of increasing
your stock but can only be ap-

Hardwood Cutting after trimming. Note slanting cut at bottom
end and straight cut at top end.

plied to plants which form pointing slit is made
in the clumps, for instance, house
plants such as *Aglaonema*, *Ma-*
ranta, *Sanseveria* and African
violet, and many garden peren-
nials. It is best carried out in
spring, just as growth is start-
ing up again. The clump should

If you are lucky, roots —
which can be seen through the
plastic — will form in due
course, and the new plant can
be detached and potted up.

These are the main forms of
propagation which the ama-
teur is likely to use and he will
soon find out which of them
are best suited to his particular
conditions — and tempera-
ment!



NOW, THAT'S BIG! — A human hair would appear 140 metres
thick if viewed through this new electronic microscope pro-
duced by the Siemens concern. But with a diameter of .003
millimetres, a hair is too large for this precision instrument,
which magnifies an object to four-and-a-half million times its
actual size. It is urgently needed to examine the structures of
bacteria and virus much more closely than previously — this
is how the fight against illness begins.

1975 - The year Britain
learned to save energy

LONDON, March 5 (LPS). — last year compared with 1974
Energy consumption in Britain
last year was the lowest since
1969, says the Department of
Energy. Provisional figures
from the department put last
year's total energy consump-
tion at just over 320 million
tons of coal-equivalent — that
is, coal actually consumed and
the coal-equivalent of energy
consumed in the form of other
primary fuels such as petro-
leum and natural gas. This was
more than 3 per cent lower
than consumption in 1974. And
that year included a quarter
when consumption was excep-
tionally low because factory
operations had to be restricted
to three days a week. If this is
taken into account, the saving
last year was even better than
the 3 per cent figure.

In fact, consumption in the
last three quarters of last year
was nearly 7 per cent down on
the same nine months of 1974.
An analysis of primary fuel
consumption over the whole of

The International Connection
American Centre

[Editor's note: This is the first part of an intermittent series
of articles by Jordan Times staff reporter Heather Crawford
on the foreign cultural and educational centres in Amman.]

The basic idea behind the
American Centre is to offer as
much as possible to supple-
ment existing facilities here in
Jordan. For example, although
extensive libraries are to be
found elsewhere, that at the
Centre is specifically orientat-
ed towards the USA and its
role in the 5 areas of art, eco-
nomics, government and inter-
national affairs, society and
sciences. The index system, the
first of its kind in the Middle
East, is computerised, doing
away with the card system.
The latest catalogue in the
form of a computerised print-
out is sent to other institutions,
eg. Jordan University, so what
is available can be seen at a
glance. A core collection of
magazine and periodicals is
permanently on display, 1/3 of
which are flown in regularly,
ensuring up-to-date news. It is
hoped to fly them all in, in
the future.

Acting mainly as a modern
information centre, being run
by the US Information Agency,
the attempt is made to interpret
USA to the host country, ex-
plaining its actions in various
fields. News information and
bulletins are released to this
effect. Non-print media, in the
form of film, video-tape and
microfiche is stocked in large
quantities. Information stored
in microfiche form, i.e. pages
or photos reduced to thumb-
nail size, can, by the flick of a
switch on a special machine, be
reproduced to normal size. A
book-copying machine enables
any pages that are required to
be copied from a book and ta-
ken away for future reference.

An in-house radio and T.V.
station is continually in oper-
ation with selected programmes
on just about every subject im-
aginable in relation to USA, eg.
art, music, space, agriculture,
science. There are 30 serial
hours on each specific series
which is invaluable to anyone
carrying out a research project.
The no-cord or plug wireless
headset is a new experiment
and enables the listener to wan-
der freely within the transmis-
sion area without disturbing
anyone else. The TV sets are
strategically placed and the
programmes are selected from
the large selection of video-ta-
pes. One unique aspect of the
Information Service is the 24

On the cultural side, art ex-
hibitions are shown, being dis-
played in a very simple, but ef-
fective manner. Aluminium
tracks have been installed with
chains hanging from them on
which the paintings are hung,
giving the illusion of hanging
in space. It also ensures that
all available space is utilised.
Books and magazines are ex-
hibited in this way as well. The
Cinema Club regularly presents
classic film productions with
interested parties being invited
to view them. The mailing list
is mechanised so if, for exam-
ple, an art film is being shown,
buttons are pressed, the rele-
vant names appear and invita-
tions are sent to them accord-
ingly. The Feb. selection was
the 'Student Filmmakers Col-
lection.' Cultural events such as
the Benny Carter Jazz perfor-
mance are arranged. Lectures
are frequently given on a vari-
ety of topics by experts in spe-
cific fields. Plans for a new cen-
tre have been postponed and
the idea now is to renovate the
existing building, allowing di-
rect access to audio-visual ma-
chines which would enable you
to come in, choose a program-
me and switch on. Sets will be
placed at strategic points and
individual study carrels are
planned. This proposed project
will complete the present mo-
vement towards a sophisticat-
ed, up-to-date, audio-visual in-
formation centre.

Tonight's TV Features

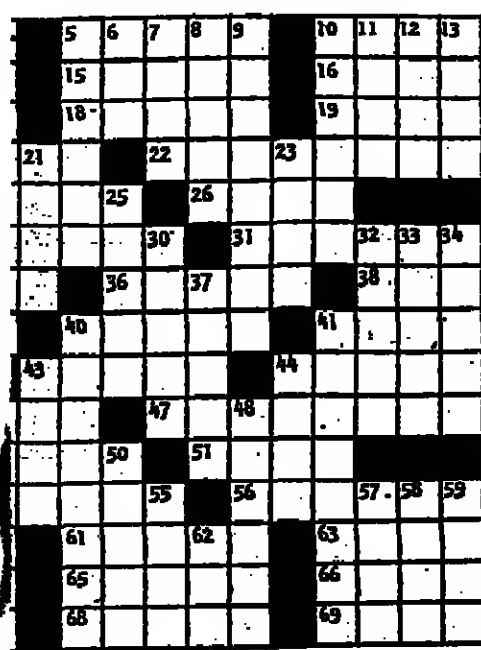
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Mountbatten, his activities and experiences.

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DEATH'S NAME IS SAM

A liberation movement plots for the murder of the
U.S. President during his return by plane. McGarrett suc-
ceeds in discovering and dismantling their group.

Word Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 "All My —"
- 5 Work in concert
- 10 Fish related to the common cod
- 14 Beseech
- 15 Moving about
- 16 Maple genus
- 17 Arabian ruler
- 18 Gaucho's rope
- 19 New York stadium
- 20 Widow
- 22 Feeling need to atone
- 24 Christmas in Dieppe
- 26 Being
- 27 Openwork garden structures
- 31 Manufactured, as money
- 35 Large projecting window
- 36 Yankee slugger
- 38 Malay negro
- 39 British gold coins: Abbr.
- 40 French royal family
- 41 Cicatrix
- 42 Chemical suffix
- 43 Deliberate burning
- 44 Wake off with: Slang
- 45 Term of office
- 47 Renewal, as silverware
- 49 Egyptian father of gods and men
- 51 Anon
- 52 Vine of the crowfoot family
- 55 — and Loewe
- 60 Nimbus
- 61 Absolutely perfect
- 63 Holy Roman emperor
- 64 Rara —
- 65 Poetry and rhyme
- 66 Ennead
- 67 Relaxation
- 68 City in Germany
- 69 Fat: Fr.

DOWN

- 1 Box
- 2 Town in Tennessee
- 3 Spike
- 4 Infecting devices
- 5 Combination of independent commercial enterprises
- 6 Chemical suffix
- 7 With foot: (Impatient of delay)
- 8 One hailed to court
- 9 Sand
- 10 Hurry
- 11 Pain
- 12 Peachy
- 13 Quod — demonstration
- 21 Unexcited
- 23 Sister and wife of Osiris
- 25 Priests
- 27 Affirm evidence
- 28 Eat away
- 29 Split
- 30 Flavor
- 32 Implied without words
- 33 Storehouse
- 34 Has the nerve
- 37 Descartes and Dubois
- 40 Capable of invention
- 41 Final action or appearance: 2 wds.
- 43 City in Greece
- 44 — gin fizz
- 46 Nearest the top
- 48 Hayfever cause
- 50 Secretes
- 52 Scorch badly
- 53 Wash
- 54 Wallace and Whitney
- 55 Weights of India
- 57 Mix up
- 58 Small stove
- 59 Fish eggs
- 62 Mrs. Gynn, so to speak

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Kuwait assembly ratifies agreement for KOC control

KUWAIT, March 6, (AFP). — Kuwait today took over full ownership of the major oil company on its territory, when the National Assembly ratified an agreement under which the Gulf Oil and British Petroleum companies give up their remaining 25 per cent assets in the Kuwait Oil Company (KOC).

But a senior oil ministry official said in an interview that the government would not for the moment seek complete control over the smaller Aminoil (American Independent Oil) Company, which operates a refinery in the Kuwaiti-Saudi Neutral Zone.

Aminoil was different from other companies in that it sold oil products and not crude oil, and handled crude with a strong sulphur content which made its work more difficult, the official told the daily Al Ra'i Al Am.

Two fires within a week swept the Aminoil refinery two months ago. The second caused

An appeal for West Bank women

AMMAN, (JT). — The Arab Women's Organisation of Jordan has issued a public appeal, on the occasion of International Women's Day on March 8, for all people to come to the aid of the Arab women of the occupied West Bank.

Noting that the Arab women of the Israeli-occupied territories have been in the forefront of the resistance effort, and that Israeli moves to suppress Arab defiance has turned the cities of Jerusalem, Nablus, Ramallah, Jenin, Hebron, Bethlehem and Gaza into virtual battlefields, the Arab Women's Organisation of Jordan appeals on the special day of March 8 for all men and women to raise their voices "in support of the struggle of our sisters in the occupied Arab lands."

The Organisation further demands the complete withdrawal of Israeli forces from Arab territory, an immediate end to mistreatment of Arab citizens of the occupied territories, and the fulfillment of Palestinian national rights, including the formation of a Palestinian state in Palestine.

Algeria recognizes Polisario republic

(Continued from page 1) lité that the republic would call on the U.N. to "take adequate measures to halt foreign aggression" in the Sahara.

In an interview with the Algerian weekly Revolution Africaine published here today, Mr. Habib Allah, a member of the Polisario External Relations Committee, said he expected 23 African countries to recognise the Saharan Republic "in a first phase."

He predicted that South Yemen, North Vietnam, South Vietnam, Cambodia, Cuba and Panama would also recognise the republic.

It was reported in Cairo that Mauritania, Morocco and Algeria have all agreed they will not use force to settle their dispute over Western Sahara, Arab League Secretary-General Mahmoud Riad said.

But, he said, none of the three countries had changed its position in the dispute.

Mr. Riad said neither side had any objections to the problem's being discussed by an Arab conference. But Mr. Riad said it was difficult to see how a settlement could be achieved in view of the parties' entrenched positions.

ed nearly two million dollars in damage.

The National Assembly, besides ratifying the Kuwait Oil Company agreement reached last December, today recommended the appropriation of Aminoil assets, and negotiations with Saudi Arabia for nationalisation of the Arabian Oil Company, an Arab-Japanese company which also operates in the Kuwaiti-Saudi Neutral Zone.

The government began talks with Aminoil two weeks ago, to obtain increased taxes.

Sauvagnargues hits Haig assertions

PARIS, March 5 (AFP). — Foreign Minister Jean Sauvagnargues today publicly rebuked United States General Alexander Haig, Commander-in-Chief of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, for his recent warning against Communist participation in Western Governments.

Mr. Sauvagnargues, in a written reply to a parliamentary question, said that "the French Government considers that it is not the business of a military commander to comment publicly on political questions affecting the internal situation of foreign countries and rejects completely any interference in its internal affairs."

"It goes without saying," added Mr. Sauvagnargues, "that the choice of leaders by the countries of Western Europe is purely a matter of their sovereignty."

(In Munich last month Gen. Haig said that the greatest danger facing NATO was Communist participation in Western governments. Excluding Portugal, which was underdeveloped, he could not accept the presence of Communists in the governments of other West European countries, which were highly industrialised nations.)

Arab states to assist Egypt

(Continued from page 1) said.

Meanwhile, President Anwar Sadat will shortly reshuffle his cabinet but Premier Mamdouh Salem will retain his post, the semi-official newspaper Al-Gomhouria reported today.

The cabinet will be entrusted with a major development programme to be announced by Mr. Sadat in his speech on March 15, the paper said.

Mr. Salem would continue as Premier because of his success in applying President Sadat's open-door economic policy, the paper said.

Clashes reported in Lebanon

(Continued from page 1) today by air for private visits to France and Brazil.

Diplomatic sources here said that while in Paris, Mr. Takla might convene a conference of Lebanese ambassadors to Western Europe.

In a separate development, gunmen today shot dead a wealthy Lebanese, George Debbas, at his villa in Mishref south of Beirut, security sources said.

They said the gunmen broke into the villa, killed Debbas and wounded two members of his family who were taken to hospital.

Mishref is a fashionable suburb of the Christian town of Damour, scene of heavy fighting two months ago during Lebanon's civil war.



GOOD SAVE. — Wolverhampton Wanderers goal keeper Phil Parkes, (right) dives to save from Manchester United's Lou Macari, during the early stages of the Football Association Cup sixth round match at Old Trafford in Manchester Saturday. (AP wirephoto).

U.K. Football Roundup

Crystal Palace's moment of glory

LONDON, March 6, (AFP). — Alan Whittle, signed three years ago for 100,000 pounds to save Crystal Palace from relegation from the first division — a task he found beyond him — produced a different sort of dividend today — English F.A. Cup glory for the London Third Division soccer club.

Palace, bent on winning the Division Three title and also playing at Wembley, stunned Roker Park by qualifying for the F.A. Cup semi-finals with a 1-0 victory over Sunderland.

On Monday, they will be joined in the semi-final draw by Second Division Southampton, 1-0 victors at Bradford: Derby County, who dismissed Newcastle United 4-2 and Manchester United and Wolverhampton who drew at Old

Trafford, Manchester.

Derby's home victory meant that Newcastle bowed out of two cup competitions in successive weeks. They lost the League Cup Final to Manchester City last Saturday 2-1 at Wembley.

Southampton's victory asbed Bradford City's attempt to become the first Fourth Division side ever to reach the semi-finals.

The shocks were not restricted to the cup. In the English First Division, Liverpool lost their place at the top and were replaced by Queen's Park Rangers, 4-1 winners over Coventry.

Liverpool went under 2-0 to Middlesbrough.

Newcastle United, six times winner of the trophy, were forced

to rely on untried youth and crashed 4-2 at Derby.

So, in successive weeks, Newcastle's dream of winning the two major domestic cups faded. Seven days ago they were beaten by Manchester City in the League Cup final at Wembley and today were tormented by the magical feet of Bruce Rioch who scored twice in the first 15 minutes.

Newcastle's only reply was two goals from Alan Gowling which made him leading First Division scorer this season, with 26.

In the league, Rangers broke out of the four-way tie at the top by beating Coventry 4-1 at home.

Of the teams threatened by relegation, Birmingham gained ground by beating West Ham 2-1 in London, while Burnley fell back by losing 4-1 at Stoke.

Bristol City now leads the Second Division by a point from Bolton.

Nearby events stir nationalist sympathies of black S. Africans

JOHANNESBURG, March 6, (AFP). — A survey among blacks in and around Johannesburg published in today's Rand Daily Mail shows that events in Angola, and Mozambique's new move against Rhodesia, have stirred growing sympathy for African nationalism as well as a stronger desire for change at home.

The survey was carried out by two black journalists. "I have been suffering for a long time. Would war change all that? If it would, then I welcome it," a black shop sweeper said.

A businessman said: "We have no sympathy for the present government. We welcome

any kind of change so long as there won't be any discrimination. Even if Russia or Cuba were involved, we would not be perturbed.

"We want a bit of change from the old order of passes, raids, lack of citizenship and general oppression."

A Methodist Church minister said: "We must get out of the rut we are in at present. A black government is not the immediate solution to all our troubles. We need a multiracial government."

Rand Daily Mail itself commented that "in trains, buses, taxis, hospitals and schools there is talk of nothing but the new developments."

Some leaders of South Africa's eight black homelands have expressed more cautious views on change and have one thing in common, opposition to communism.

The leader of the largest homeland, Chief Kaiser Matanzima of the Transkei, which becomes independent on Oct. 26 this year, says he will ensure there is law and order in his country and that he will not tolerate communism.

Likewise the leader of the Ciskei homeland, M. Lennox Sebe, said today the Ciskeians "do not look to the ungodly Communists, Cubans or Russians as liberators and would thank the Almighty God with one accord to see the last of them depart our African shores."

Some members of South Africa's ruling Nationalist Party meanwhile have openly advocated full citizenship and parliamentary representation — equal to that of the whites — for South Africa's two million Afrikaans-speaking "coloured" people.

Foreign envoys view damage in Cambodia

PEKING, March 6, (AFP). — the country's new "more radical than the or Chinese" revolution. He said they were through the capital and immediate environs with military escort and said it appeared to be in general mobilisation.

He described Cambodia "a very strange place in." There was no m body received a sal there were no telepho legraph services, he s was very little traffic were very few roads, Mr Bjork said the saw hundreds upon of persons, including working in the fields, ceived no pay and t acted as if a state of ted. Each person recei was necessary to live ration of rice and no Swedish Ambassador

"Something has happened in Siem Reap, but I don't know what and I don't know when" declared Sweden's Ambassador in Peking Kaj Bjork. The Swedish envoy, together with diplomats from Zambia, Egypt, Tunisia, Afghanistan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) were the guests of the Cambodian government. They are normally accredited to China.

Mr Bjork is the first Westerner known to have visited Cambodia since the Khmer Rouge victory there in April of last year.

The Swedish diplomat said he had met the military commander for the Siem Reap region but that neither he nor his colleagues had spoken to an eyewitness of the alleged bombing. He said he had taken photographs which he was sending to Stockholm as quickly as possible.

Mr Bjork said he and his colleagues had seen Prince Norodom Sihanouk in Phnom Penh and found the Cambodian head of state "very much at ease."

Mr Bjork said the impression gained by the diplomats during their stay in Cambodia was that

Tornado lashes Argentine town

TAPALQUE, Argentina 6 (AFP). — One person was injured and 250 evacuated from their homes as a tornado lashed this Argentine town southwest of Buenos Aires last night.

Winds of up to 180 miles an hour accompanied by torrential rains destroyed dwellings, most of them belonging to poor families.

The storm lasted for an hour. One old woman was cut when she was broken high-tension wires said they feared victims might be discovered.

Authorities in Buenos Aires (160 miles) north-east, announced were sending 20 rail cars here to temporarily house those who lost their homes.

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